

## **Rhode Island 2004 EQIP** **Applicant Evaluation Worksheet**

<b>Applicant's Name:</b>	<b>Type of Operation:</b>
<b>Operator:</b>	<b>Farm #</b>
<b>Address:</b>	<b>Tract #</b>
<b>Town:</b>	<b>Watershed No:</b>
<b>ZIP Code:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
<b>Phone:</b>	<b>Total Score:</b> <span style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px;">#VALUE!</span>

### I. Resource Concerns:

<b>Applicants Score</b>	=	0.00
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### II. Environmental Benefits:

<b>Applicants Score</b>	
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### III. Project Enhancements:

<b>Applicants Score</b>	0.00
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### IV. Estimated Program Financial Assistance Cost:

Estimated Total Project Cost	\$0
Non-USDA Funds, Non Producer Costs	\$0
Producer Costs	\$0
<b>Total Program Financial Assistance Cost</b>	<b>\$0</b>

### IV. Other Concerns or Adjustments:

Severity of problem to be addressed: Ranking team will use professional judgement based on measured data or observations. Add 500 points if problem is severe, 250 if moderate.	
Past History of Applicant: Subtract 30% for failure to complete a previous plan; 20% for partial completion of previous plan; 10% for failure to properly maintain practices.	
<b>Adjustments</b>	<b>0</b>

### V. Adjusted Score: (Applicant's Score plus Adjustments)

<b>Applicant's Adjusted Score</b>	<b>#VALUE!</b>
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Environmental Benefit Calculator										
RESOURCE CONCERNS	Aspect / Problem	Value	Bench-mark Condition	Value	Desired Outcome	Value	Location Factor	Value	Priority Factor	ENVIR. BENEFIT
Water Quality									1.3	
Water Quantity									1.2	
Soil Erosion									1.2	
Animal Quality									1.2	
Soil Quality									1.1	
Air Quality									1	
Plant Quality									1	
Environmental Benefit Score =		(Resource Concern x Environmental Gain x Location Factor)								

Project Enhancements Calculator					
Regulatory Compliance				3	
Ag. Land Protection				3	
Conservation Systems				3	
Innovation				3	
Leveraged Funds				2	
Conservation System Durability				2	
Ag. Production				1	
Local Priority				1	
Project Enhancement Score					

**INSTRUCTIONS:** Assessing the proposed project as a whole, select the best suited ranking elements in the yellow shaded cells (values will populate automatically). For more information see *Rhode Island 2004 Application Evaluation Instructions*.

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CRITERIA	VALUES					POINTS
	5	3	1	0	Priority Factor	
RESOURCE CONCERNS (*National and State Priorities)						
Water Quality	*Harmful Levels or Excess Pesticides, Nutrients or Pathogens	*Sediment	Contaminants from off-farm sources, petroleum storage, stream temps	N/A	1.3	
Water Quantity	Insufficient Flow to sustain desired ecological condition	*Innefficient Use	Excess Amount	N/A	1.2	
Soil Erosion	*Sheet & Rill	Ephemeral Gully, Streambank or Road	Classic Gully	N/A	1.2	
Animal Quality	*Threatened & Endangered Species	Fish & Wildlife- Inadequate Food/Cover/Water	Domestic Animals- Inadequate Feed/Forage/Water/Healthy Living Condition	N/A	1.2	
Soil Quality	Organic Matter Depletion	Compaction	Excess soil nutrients	N/A	1.1	
Air Quality	Chemical Drift	*Particulates, Ozone, Greenhouse Gases	Objectionable Odors, Noise from Pumps	N/A	1	
Plant Quality	*Threatened & Endangered Species	Noxious and Invasive	Productivity, Health and Vigor	N/A	1	
RESOURCE CONCERNS	(*National priorities (orange highlight) receive double values)					0.00
ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFIT						
*Environmental Benefit Score	Resource Concern x Environmental Gain x Location Factor					
PROJECT ENHANCEMENTS						
Regulatory Compliance	*Voluntary CNMP	Voluntarily addresses other known pollutant issue.	*Other Regulatory Issue or TMDL	N/A	x 3	
Ag. Land Protection	Permanently Protected	Conditionally Protected through FFOS, GRP, CRP		N/A	x 3	
Conservation Systems	Completes a new, revised or existing whole-farm plan to RMS level.	Completes a CMU or field RMS		Completes a practice (Not a RMS)	x 3	
Innovation	*Innovative	Adaptive	Adoptive	N/A	x 3	
Leveraged Funds	*≥30% of total cost	*15-30% of total cost	*1-15% of total cost	N/A	x 2	
Conservation System Durability	*≥ 20 yrs.*	*15 yrs.	5-10 yrs.	Annual	x 2	
Ag. Production	Organic/Sustainable Agriculture	Food Quality	Increase Yields / Minimize Loss	N/A	x 1	
Local Priority	1st Resource Concern	2nd Resource Concern	3rd Resource Concern	N/A	x 1	
RESOURCE CONCERNS	*(National priorities (orange highlight) receive double values. Voluntary CNMP = 20 points.					0
TOTAL SCORE						0.00

## LOOK-UP TABLES

CRITERIA	VALUE	CRITERIA	VALUE	CRITERIA	VALUE	CRITERIA	VALUE	CRITERIA	VALUE	CRITERIA	VALUE
a. Public drinking water, or groundwater aquifer/recharge area, or community wellhead.	7	a. ≥30% of total cost	10	a. Harmful/Excess Levels of Pesticides-Nutrients or Pathogens	10	a. Organic Matter Depletion	5	a. Public drinking water, or groundwater aquifer/recharge area, or community wellhead.	7		
b. Prime shellfish beds impacted by agriculture.	6	b. 15-30% of total cost	6	b. Sediment	6	b. Compaction	3	d. Priority Freshwater Fish and Wildlife Habitat	4		
c. 303d list of waters	5	c. 1-15% of total cost	2	c. Contaminants from off-farm sources, petroleum storage, stream temps	1	c. Excess soil nutrients	1	f. Other Surface Water/Private Well	2		
d. Priority Freshwater Fish and Wildlife Habitat	4	d. N/A	0	d. N/A	0	d. N/A	0	N/A	1		
e. Coastal Salt Ponds	3										
f. Other Surface Water/Private Well	2	a. Completes a whole-farm plan	5	a. Insufficient Flow to sustain desired ecological condition	5	a. Chemical Drift	5	a. Soil is Prime Farmland	7		
g. N/A	1	b. Completes a CMU or Field RMS	3	b. Inefficient Use	6	b. Particulates, Ozone, Greenhouse Gases	6	b. Soil is of Statewide Importance	5		
		c. Single practice (not a RMS)	0	c. Excess Amount	1	c. Objectionable Odors, Noise from Pumps	1	c. Land is Permanently Protected, but not prime or important soil	3		
				d. N/A	0	d. N/A	0	d. N/A	1		
a. > 20 yrs	10	a. Permanently Protected	5								
b. 15 yrs	6	b. Conditionally Protected through FFOS, GRP, CRP	3	a. Sheet and Rill	10	a. Threatened & Endangered Species	10	N/A	1		
c. 5-10 yrs	2	c. N/A	0	b. Ephemeral Gully, Streambank or Road	6	b. Noxious and Invasive	3				
d. Annual	0			c. Classic Gully	1	c. Productivity, Health and Vigor	1				
		a. Organic or Sustainable Agriculture	5	d. N/A	0	d. N/A	0				
a. Voluntary CNMP (Plan Only)*	20	b. Food Quality	3								
b. Voluntarily addresses other known pollutant issue	3	c. Increase Yield/Minimize Loss	1								
c. Other Regulatory Issue or TMDL	2	d. N/A	0	a. Threatened & Endangered Species	10			a. Public area contiguous to cropland, buffer in adequate	4		
N/A	0			b. Fish & Wildlife-Inadequate Food/Cover/Water	3			b. Non-farm residences contiguous, buffer inadequate	3		
				c. Domestic Animals-Inadequate Feed/Forage/Water	1			c. N/A	1		
a. Innovative	10	1st Resource Concern: E, N, S Water Quality	5	d. N/A	0						
b. Adaptive	3	2nd Resource Concern: E Invasives, N Soil Erosion, S Water Quantity	3								
c. Adoptive	1	3rd Resource Concern: E Farm Viability, N Flood Control, S Food Security	1								
		N/A	0								